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BOX AMENDMENT

Hon. Commissioner of Patents and Trademarks Washington, D.C. 20231

PRELIMINARY AMENDMENT

Dear Sir:

Prior to examination, please amend the above-identified application as follows:

IN THE CLAIMS

Amend the following claims:

- 1. (Amended) A process for forming a silver coating on a surface of a first metal [which is less electropositive] having a first electropositivity less than an electropositivity of silver, the process comprising a step of:
- contacting the [metal] surface of the first metal with an aqueous [displacement (a) plating] composition comprising silver ions and a multidentate complexing agent, the aqueous

